ARIZONA FOUNDATION FOR WOMEN

FACT SHEET

Advancing the status of Arizona's women through research, advocacy and philanthropy to ensure their <u>s</u>afety, <u>h</u>ealth and <u>e</u>conomic independence.

About Our Foundation

Arizona Foundation for Women was founded in response to the low rate of philanthropic giving to women's issues (around 4%). Since its inception in 1995, AFW has contributed over \$3 million to the community.

At AFW, we connect hearts and minds and work to create a collaborative spirit. Our approach is a holistic strategy of research, advocacy and innovative grant-making that is both necessary and practical.

SHE Counts!®

We believe that SHE Counts!® What makes AFW so effective is our flexibility to meet needs through multiple delivery channels. Our foundation excels at identifying unmet needs and developing the initiatives and methods to address them. This approach allows the foundation to address the issues of Arizona women from a broader, macro perspective.



SAFETY

The safety of women is an essential part of our mission. Domestic violence and human trafficking have been an ongoing fight at AFW. We will not stop until every woman in Arizona feels and is safe.



HEALTH

A women's physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing is another key element AFW addresses. A women's health is an important ingredient in her success.



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Women's economic power is vital to a woman's success and the success of raising a family. Equity and equality of women has a positive impact benefiting the entire community.

THE STATUS OF ARIZONA WOMEN

Based on findings from the *AFW 2020 Status of Women in Arizona* Research Report.



41% of women in Arizona have been a victim of sexual violence. Almost half of the perpetrators were a current or former intimate partner.



Arizona is ranked **7th** in the nation for the **highest rate** of **females killed by males**.



Over 2/3rds of these homicides were committed with guns.



29% of Hispanic women in Arizona have **no health care** provider.



In Arizona, 21% of low income women lack health insurance.





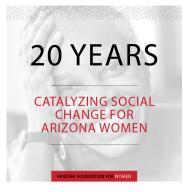
In Arizona, a woman earns only 84 cents for every dollar a man earns.



Females continue to outpace males as undergraduate enrollees in two and four year postsecondary institutions.

Arizona ranks 6th in the nation for female representation in the state legislature and is one of six states with two U.S. Senators as of September, 2020.









How We Work

RESEARCH

Approximately every three to four years, Arizona Foundation for Women completes and publishes Arizona's only Status of Women in Arizona Report. This is an in-depth research on the status of women in Arizona as it relates to the country. Many community leaders, philanthropist and nonprofits rely on this research to make change in the community or to fulfill their mission.

ADVOCACY

As a leading voice for women in Arizona, AFW is a key resource with a long history of effectively advocating on behalf of women. It is imperative we inform the entire state about issues affecting women.

PHILANTHROPY

AFW believes that if women are afforded ample and equal resources, the entire state benefits. The foundation invests in innovative and change-making programs that address the unmet needs of Arizona's women and children. By providing financial resources to statewide nonprofits whose mission and goals focus on the safety, health and economic empowerment of women, we accomplish incredible, powerful outcomes together. Through rigorous granting and evaluation process, we have awarded millions of dollars to the Arizona community since our inception in 1995.

Make an impact:



Make a donation or become a member of our SHE Counts!® Legacy Circle.



Apply for our women's leadership development program, SHE Leads!™, as either a participant or a mentor.



Attend our annual Awards Luncheon, a SHE Talks!™ salon series event or one of our Financial Independence Seminars.



Join us as a skill-based volunteer.



PAST GRANTEES

Through research, advocacy and philanthropy AFW supports organizations such as these:

AFW vets the accountability of nonprofits, ensuring that their financial practices ethically fulfill their mission.



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